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1. TO CONTINUE ITS PROGRAM OF ENCOURAGING THE INTERNATIONAL EXCHANGE OF LABOR LEADERS, CU IS FINANCING THE TRAVEL TO AFRICA OF SUBJECT INDIVIDUALS SELECTED BY AFL/CIO, IN ACCORDANCE WITH AN AGREEMENT WITH THE DEPARTMENT. PROGRAMMING SHOULD FOCUS ON PERSONAL VISITS, FAMILIARIZATION OFFICIALS CONCERNED WITH LABOR MOVEMENT, VISITS TO POINTS OF INTEREST, INDUSTRIAL SITES AND TRAVEL OUT OF MAIN CITY.

2. GRANTEES: (A) SIGMUND ARYWITZ, 58, CURRENTLY EXECUTIVE SECRETARY-TREASURER LOS ANGELES COUNTY FEDERATION OF LABOR, AFL-CIO. CAREER INCLUDES TEN YEARS AS DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION AND PUBLIC RELATIONS FOR INTERNATIONAL LADIES GARMENT WORKERS UNION AND EIGHT AS A LABOR COMMISSIONER FOR CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS. EXPERIENCED AS A SPEAKER, MR. ARYWITZ HAS SERVED AS SPOKESMAN FOR ORGANIZED LABOR ON TV. ARYWITZ WILL BE ACCOMPANIED BY WIFE. (B) BERTRAM MCNAMARA, 59, CURRENTLY DIRECTOR,
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DISTRICT 2 OF UNITED STEELWORKERS OF AMERICA WHICH

ENCOMPASSES WISCONSIN AND MUCH OF NORTHWESTERN ILLINOIS.
HE IS MEMBER OF UNION'S INTERNATIONAL EXECUTIVE BOARD AND

CHAIRMAN OF ITS INDUSTRIAL MACHINERY CONFERENCE.
PRIOR EXPERIENCE INCLUDES WORK WITH USAID INDIA LABOR
EDUCATION AND PRODUCTIVITY ADVISOR, LATER CHIEF LABOR
DIVISION; CONTRACT NEGOTIATIONS, GRIEVANCE AND
ARBITRATION HANDLING, INCENTIVES, JOB EVALUATION AND
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